

FISCAL NOTE

HB 162 - SB 618

March 22, 2007

SUMMARY OF BILL: Changes the limitation for receiving the HOPE Scholarship from 120 attempted semester hours to five years of full-time equivalent attendance.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

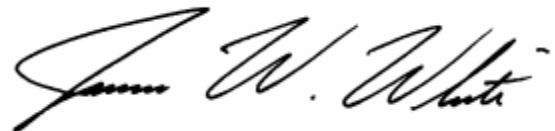
Other Fiscal Impact – Increases the expenditure of lottery proceeds earmarked for scholarships and grants by \$448,400 in FY07-08 and by \$494,000 in FY08-09.

Assumptions:

- According to the Tennessee Student Assistance Corporation (TSAC), approximately 118 students for the 2006-2007 academic year would have maintained eligibility under the provisions of this bill. As a result, these students would have received a HOPE Scholarship award for a fifth year to complete their postsecondary education.
- 118 students is representative of the number of students that this legislation will impact in FY07-08.
- 100% receive maximum scholarship award of \$3,800 per year.
- Expenditures of lottery proceeds are estimated to increase by \$448,400 in FY07-08 (118 students X \$3,800 award = \$448,400).
- According to TSAC, the number of students will increase by 10% (or by 12 students) in FY08-09.
- Expenditures of lottery proceeds are estimated to increase by \$494,000 in FY08-09 (130 students X \$3,800 award = \$494,000).

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director